

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY, WI. HELD
AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 5050 S. LAKE DRIVE, CUDAHY, WI.
Tuesday, October 14, 2009**

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Chairman Otto, with the following Alderpersons answering 'present' to roll call: Mikolajczak, Schissel, and Litkowiec. Alderperson Pavlic was absent and excused. Also in attendance: Comptroller Williamson, City Accountant Bruce Schuknecht, Clerk/Treasurer Goss, Fire Chief Mayer, Dir Office Ser. Toms-Neary, DPW Dir. Lange, Water Super. Miller, Highway Foreman Hendrickson, Police Chief Poellot, Chief Inspector Loferski, Health Director Wantuch, Dir. of Econ. Dev. Fritts, Library Director Roepke and Mayor McCue.

OPEN MEETING STATEMENT

Proper open meeting statement was read.

New Business was taken out of order at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation from the Mayor and city staff on the 2010 budget. Mayor McCue presented the 2010 recommended budget.
 - Insp. Loferski explained the budgeting regarding permit revenue. A 3 year average was used as well as anticipated permit revenues from two large projects scheduled to be done in 2010.
 - Library Director Roepke reported that the Library budget came in with a 0% increase which includes an anticipated 3% wage increase for 2010 union negotiations, a 9.96% increase for health insurance and it does not request \$4,500 from the City next year for the utilities for the Winter Garden.
 - Health Director Wantuch reported that her budget increased 2.7% due to union contract raises, the increase in health insurance and Wisconsin retirement. She noted that her revenues went up 6% which is a conservative estimate. She reviewed the current grant programs being utilized at this time.
 - Fire Chief Mayer explained that their biggest increase was for equipment maintenance on some older equipment. Those repairs equate to safety for the department. Chief Mayer reviewed the Ambulance Fund at this time and the reasons why a new ambulance is necessary. Discussion ensued regarding the Ambulance Fund.
 - Director of Office Services Toms-Neary explained the budget for the Clerk/Treasurer's office is mostly made up of wages and benefits and the decrease is due to the reorganization of the Engineering, Assessor and Inspection Department. The newest Clerk II floater does not take health insurance which also caused a slight decrease. The election budget was reviewed at this time.
 - Dir. of Economic Development Fritts reviewed her budget explaining that she dropped her budget by about 33.3%. There stated that there are things that were originally budgeted for that were not needed and the one time costs budgeted last year do not show up in this budget.

- Police Chief Poellot stated that last year substantial line items were cut out of the budget. Everything was left the same for this year with the exception of wages and benefits. He touched on the restructuring of the department and reviewed the patrol car replacement program at this time. Discussion ensued regarding overtime and comp time.
 - Discussion ensued regarding the part time clerk position for the Municipal Court. Judge Zodrow stated that he is in support of this additional person which will be funded through the extra \$5.00 administrative court charge.
 - Director of DPW Lange stated that 80% of the budget is labor and there is an increase in that rate. Two positions were frozen although funded in 2009 with another person retiring this year making it three people down. Public Works force is based on plowing needs and she explained the minimum manning needed for an average snowstorm. This budget proposes 20 with the necessity to shift people around. She proposes filling the retiree position, taking one of the funded positions and hiring another DPW employee while unfunding the other position. The funded position will be utilized in sanitary sewer cleaning area using the sanitary sewer enterprise fund. She also proposed to take one of the mechanics out of the mechanics area and put them in the DPW general labor area and subcontracting for certain tasks. The budget increased by .34% with all of the planned changes and reorganizations. Disposal from storm water maintenance has been taken out of the general fund and charged to the storm water utility fund. There will be a rate increase in the sanitary sewer fund to fund that position.
2. Discussion and appropriate action relating to the 2010 budget. Budget discussion took place at this time with no action taken. The Finance Committee will reconvene on this item on Wednesday, October 21, 2009.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion and appropriate action on 2009-2010 capital project plan. The Mayor reviewed the one change to the plan regarding the IT Network Project. Operating fund budget was reviewed regarding how to pay the increased cost of running fiber optics. The same percentages were taken in the operating as done in the capital so the costs were broken out and split up among all of the entities, not just the General Fund. Discussion ensued.

MOTION BY ALD. MIKOLAJCZAK, SECOND BY ALD. LITKOWIEC to approve the 2009-2010 capital project plan in the amount of \$11,006,779. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

MOTION BY ALD. MIKOLAJCZAK, SECOND BY ALD. PAVLIC to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald Otto, Committee Chairman